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NOTICE OF MEETING

The next meeting will be held in the Royal Society Room, Tasmanian Museum, on Thursday, February 21st, at 7.45.p.m.

SPEAKER

Mr. B. Knott, Zoology Department, University of Tasmania.

SUBJECT

'Freshwater Crustacea'.

OUTING

Not yet arranged. See at themeeting!

SUBSCRIPTIONS

..... ARE NOW DUE .....

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| Junior (under 16) | $1.50 |
| Adult | $3.00 |
| Family or Group | $4.00 |

Each month (except December and January) members receive a T.F.N.C. Bulletin, giving details of current activities, and each quarter, the Club's Magazine, "Tasmanian Naturalist" (Supplement to the Bulletin). The cost of both these is included in the Annual Subscription.

Visitors are welcome at the meetings.

Federation of Field Naturalists' Clubs
of Tasmania.

The Annual Meeting will be held in Launceston during March.

This Club sends two delegates.

The Federation discusses matters of interest to the State as a whole. It is a forum for discussion and liaison between Clubs, and has a eye out for matters of conservation. When necessary, letters are written by the State Secretary to various municipal bodies, State organisations and Members of Parliament to bring to their notice matters needing attention.
The Federation has a combined voice which can give evidence to public enquiry commissions. It is often asked for advice on Flora and Fauna conservation matters.

Have you anything you think could profitably be brought up for discussion at this next meeting? If so, please put in writing and give to the Secretary (Miss M.L.Westbrook) of our own Club.

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The Annual Meeting of the Tasmanian Field Naturalists' Club will be held on Thursday March 21st. Nominations are required for the following:- President; two Vice-Presidents; Honorary Secretary; Honorary Assistant Secretary; Honorary Treasurer; and a Committee of six members... and Auditor.
Written nominations duly proposed and seconded by members and signed by the nominee, shall be in the hands of the Secretary not later than two weeks before the Annual Meeting. (March 7th).

The present Secretary is not available for nomination this year.....

## ROUND THE CLUBS

BURNIE

At their Exhibition and Flower Show, held in Nov. 1973, it was pleasing to note (quote) 'The Home-Grown Section of native plants has developed from one small table a few years ago to one of our largest attractions. This section contained plants, native to all states, flourishing right here on the North West Coast.'

LAUNCESTON

Their December issue contains an alphabetical list of endemics still to be painted by Miss Margaret Stones for the late Lord Talbot's 'The Endemic Flora of Tasmania'... Nov. 1973.

(I have available a few copies of this. (M.L.W.)

NORTH-EASTERN NATURALIST

South African Boneseed Threat:- Plants of this Boneseed (Chrysanthemoides monoliferum) have been identified by Launceston F.N.Club Secretary, Mr. John Simmons, as growing in Launceston's Cataract Gorge. All steps to eradicate it must be made now... It has an attractive, bright yellow flower of six petals. Round bone-coloured seeds, each about one-third the size of a pea, form in clusters and a large mature plant will produce hundreds of them. They are extremely tough and will live in the soil many years. In South Africa it is not considered a pest because of biological control, mainly by the Red-winged starlings feeding in great flocks on its ripening seeds. In Victoria, the Bird Observers' Club, the Geelong F.N.C and other groups have have had some success at the You Yangs by "pulling" in selected areas, but this must be followed up for several seasons.

The Boneseed has been declared a "noxious weed" in Victoria.

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IMPORTANT..... Nomination forms overleaf!

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